HIGHLAND REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION STUDY SESSION MINUTES June 24, 2009

The Highland Redevelopment Commission ("Commission", "RC") met in Study Session on Wednesday, June 24, 2009 at 6:35 PM in the Council Chambers within the Municipal Building at 3333 Ridge Road, Highland, Indiana. The Study Session was called to order by Vice-President Dominic Noce. President Gawlikowski entered after the meeting was called to order. The minutes were prepared by Vice President Dominic Noce.

ROLL CALL: Present on silent roll call included Commissioners: Adam Gawlikowski, Selena Rich, Greg Kuzmar, and Dominic Noce. Also in attendance were Attorney Carol Green-Fraley, Economic Development Commissioner George Vande Werken, and School Board Liaison Larry Vassar. Commissioner Tom Crowel and Director Petro were absent with notice.

General Substance of the Study Session

The Commission discussed the **agenda** for the public meeting. No comments were received regarding the minutes and claims.

Commissioners reviewed a Public Notice cover letter for the proposed Design Standards. This cover letter with the notice will be sent to all property owners within the Redevelopment Area as required by the Plan Commission before approval action can begin. Action by the Plan Commission and Town Council is expected this summer.

Discussion ensued on the possible rezoning of the Bult Oil property. Attorney Green-Fraley requested a copy of the two appraisals that have been completed on the site..

Growler's English Sports Bar requested the use of the Redevelopment Commission's lot located on the southeast corner of Kennedy Avenue and Highway Avenue. Consideration was given to increase the fee this year by 10%.

ADJOURNMENT: The Study Session was adjourned at 7:14 PM for the Public Meeting.

HIGHLAND REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING June 24, 2009

The Highland Redevelopment Commission ("Commission", "RC") met in a Public Meeting on June 24, 2009 at 7:15 PM in the Council Chambers within the Municipal Building at 3333 Ridge Road, Highland, Indiana. Redevelopment Commission President Adam Gawlikowski called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL:

Present on roll call included Redevelopment Commissioners Adam Gawlikowski, Selena Rich, Greg Kuzmar, and Dominic Noce. Also in attendance was Attorney Carol Green-Fraley, Economic Development Commissioner George Vande Werken, and School Board Liaison Larry Vassar. Taking minutes for the meeting was Vice President Dominic Noce. Director Petro and Commissioner Tom Crowel were absent with notice.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS SESSIONS:

Commissioner Rich made a motion to accept the minutes as prepared for the Public Meeting and Study Session of May 20, 2009. Commissioner Kuzmar seconded the motion. **Motion carried 4 ayes 0 nays, and 1 absent.**

SPECIAL ORDERS: None

COMMUNICATIONS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND GENERAL ORDERS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Kuzmar made a motion to approve the use of the Redevelopment Corner Lot located on the Southeast corner of Kennedy and Highway Avenues for an anniversary Celebration of Growler's Sports Bar on August 29, 2009 for a fee of \$1650.00 and proof of liability insurance holding the Town of Highland and the Redevelopment Commission harmless. Motion seconded by Commissioner Rich. No discussion. **Motion carried 4** ayes, 0 nays, and 1 absent.

ACTION TO PAY ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS:

Commissioner Noce made a motion to accept accounts payable claims as posted.

Commissioner Rich seconded the motion. Postal fees were discussed. Motion passed 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 1 absent.

BUSINESS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Gawlikowski expressed his sympathy regarding the passing of Director Petro's husband and the rest of the Commissioners also expressed their sympathy.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Myron Chapman, owner of Growler's English Sports Bar, expressed his thanks to the Commission for their consideration of his request.

NEXT MEETING:

The Redevelopment Commission will meet in a Public Meeting on July 8, 2009 with a Study Session before and following the Public Meeting. The next full Study Session will be July 22, 2009 at 6:30 PM.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Rich made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Kuzmar seconded the motion. By a unanimous voice vote the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

HIGHLAND REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION STUDY SESSION RECONVENED June 24, 2009

The Highland Redevelopment Commission ("Commission", "RC") reconvened at 7:45PM in the Upstairs Conference Room of the Municipal Building at 3333 Ridge Road, Highland, Indiana.

ROLL CALL: Present on silent roll call included Commissioners: Dominic Noce, Greg Kuzmar, Selena Rich, and Adam Gawlikowski. Also in attendance was Economic Development Commissioner George Vande Werken. Absent with notice were Commissioner Tom Crowel and Redevelopment Director Cecile Petro.

General Substance of the Study Session

Commissioners resumed discussion on the Bult Oil property. They requested copies of the B1, B2, and B3 zoning categories in order to obtain information on the types of businesses that are permitted in each zone.

Commissioners questioned when the Plan Commission would take up the Design Standards issue.

Economic Development Commissioner George Vande Werken explained the function of the Re-Engagement Strategy Group. He stated that this group has been organized to explore ways to encourage entrepreneurship and small business ownership. Director Petro also participates in this group.

Adjournment: The Study Session was adjourned by voice vote at 8:15 PM.